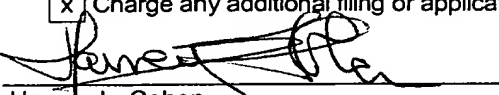


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Invention: NOVEL PEPTIDES AS NS3-SERINE PROTEASE INHIBITORS OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS					
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**AMENDMENT IN CONNECTION WITH
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Dear Sir:

In connection with a Request for Continued Examination, as well as a Petition to Withdraw From Issue, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.